GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
EXTERNAL AFFAIRS
LOK SABHA

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CASES OF HARASSMENT OF IT PROFESSIONALS
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Will the Minister of EXTERNAL AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether many cases of harassment of Indian IT Professionals in several countries have come to light;

(b) if so, the details thereof including the names of countries where such cases have been detected during each of the last three years;

(c) whether the Union Government have lodged any protest against such ill-treatment; and

(d) If so, the outcome of the steps taken by the Government and the remedial steps proposed to prevent such occurrences?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF EXTERNAL AFFAIRS (SHRI VINOD KHANNA)

(a) Yes.

(b) There have been some cases of harassment of Indian IT professionals in a few countries such as Malaysia, Indonesia, Netherlands and UK.

(c) & (d) The Government has taken up the matter immediately with the authorities in the countries concerned and conveyed the seriousness with which it viewed such incidents to prevent any recurrence of such cases.